

REMARKS

The Office indicated in the May 17, 2006 final Office Action that claims 21-31 are allowed and that claims 2, 5-8, 16, 17 and 35-45 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. In order to expedite issuance of claims 2, 5-8, 16, 17, 21-31 and 35-45, Applicants have: (a) rewritten dependent claim 2 in independent form; (b) rewritten dependent 5 in independent form (claims 6-8 depend from claim 5); (c) rewritten dependent claim 16 in independent form (claim 17 depends from claim 16); (d) rewritten claim 35 in independent form (claims 36-45 depend from claim 35); and (e) cancelled the remaining claims. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute any of the canceled claims in a continuing application. Should Examiner Sandy have any questions concerning this application, he is invited to contact Applicants' attorney at (512) 536-3031.

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